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# Employer Update

## Workshops to Teach Employers About PERF Online

PERF's interactive web site offers employers a variety of secure and simple tools to assist employees and exchange information with PERF. With a variety of features now available, PERF is hitting the road with a training program to help first-time users to get started and long-time users to learn what's new. These workshops will be available throughout the state, starting in Indianapolis. To reserve your seat at an Indianapolis meeting, click [HERE](#). Look for information soon on additional locations and dates.

Recent PERF Online enhancements:

- Benefits estimate and service credit purchase calculators with actual employee data.
- Simplified logon procedure
- To learn more regarding these enhancements, click [HERE](#)

## Pre-Retirement Workshops Offered Statewide

Do you have an employee considering retirement in the next 18 months? PERF's Pre-Retirement Workshops may be just what they need. In two hours, we help members make a careful assessment of whether they are ready to retire, review potential PERF benefits and walk through the application process itself. Workshops are offered at convenient times and locations throughout the state. For more information, contact us by e-mail at [questions@perf.in.gov](mailto:questions@perf.in.gov).

- To see a list of workshop dates and locations, click [HERE](#)
- To use the online registration form, click [HERE](#)
- To see the workshop reminder mailed to members, click [HERE](#)

## New Simplified Retirement Application Developed with Employer Help

A simplified retirement application will be easier for members to complete while saving more than \$24,000 per year in production expenses. And the credit for these improvements goes to the many employers who helped PERF in this major overhaul. Improvements include:

- Only one notarized signature is required.
- A simple pocket folder contains everything a member needs to apply for retirement benefits.
- A new, easy-to-read instruction booklet will help members complete the application correctly.
- The application itself has been revised to be more intuitive and straightforward.

To download a copy of the new retirement application, click [HERE](#). Or, you may call us by e-mail at [questions@perf.in.gov](mailto:questions@perf.in.gov). PERF will accept applications from employees who have already completed the old application. However, going forward, employees should apply for retirement using the new application.

## Communication for You and Your Employees

Below are links to communication mailed by PERF to members as well as recent news releases. You are welcome to publish any of this information in your employee newsletter.

- [Member News](#)
- [Destination Retirement](#)
- [Indiana PERF Finalist for National Top Pension Plan Award](#)

- [Funded status ranks Indiana PERF ahead of national averages](#)
- [PERF Assets Top \\$16 billion](#)
- [PERF improves ranking among top 100 pension systems](#)

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